

# On the Green

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National Academy staffers are, from left, Pat Hunter, Jean Woods, Loraine DiPietro, Terri Baker, Connie Knight, Mary Despert and Carol Yoken.

## Landers chosen Fulbright advisor

Edward C. Merrill, Jr. has appointed Thomas J. Landers, Dean of the School of Education and Human Services, as campus Fulbright advisor.

The Fulbright advisor receives announcements and materials from the agencies administering Fulbright grants and disseminates them on campus. These materials are now available in Landers' office in HMB 117, x5014.

Landers has been a Fulbright senior research scholar at the University of Heidelberg, Germany, and has been consultant to the bi-national commissions administering the programs for several years. He will be glad to answer questions about Fulbright opportunities for undergraduate or graduate students who wish to study abroad, younger faculty who wish to do post-doctoral research or participate in teaching exchanges, lectureships and research opportunities for senior faculty, and short term opportunities under the "Educational Experts" program.

## Union election happens Thurs.

Don't forget that this Thursday, Nov. 15, is the day that two elections will be held here to determine if Gallaudet Local, District 65, will represent two groups of employees on campus.

And it really is **Thursday** not Wednesday, as was erroneously reported in the last issue.

The elections will be held from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m.. Non-exempt clerical and technical employees and a limited number of exempt employees may vote in the Orange Room of the College Dining Hall. Grounds, transportation and unrepresented service employees cast their ballots in the locker room in the Department of Transportation.

The elections will be by secret ballot, under the supervision of the National Labor Relations Board. Results of the elections will be determined by the majority of people who actually vote this Thursday.

Any last-minute questions? Contact Jerry Lee, assistant vice president for Business Affairs; District 65 at 544-1812; or Mary Lou Holden-Knudsen of the Concerned Personnel Group.

## The National Academy of what?

by Carol Yoken

National Academy staff members calling other departments on campus frequently are asked, *The National Academy of what? or Are you from Gallaudet?* Here's a brief explanation of who we are and what we do.

In October, 1978 the Public Service Programs became The National Academy of Gallaudet College within the Division of Public Services. The National Academy continues many PSP programs—outreach to community organizations, publications, liaison with legislators and government agency officials—but with a new emphasis. We educate professionals in fields not traditionally associated with disabilities about the needs of deaf and other disabled people.

The National Academy has four program areas: Professional Training, Community Development, Public Policy Studies and the National Center for Law and the Deaf. The audience we seek to reach includes architects, attorneys, business and industry leaders, clergy, disabled people, emergency workers, engineers, firefighters, hospital administrators, legislators, nurses, physicians, psychologists, police officers, social workers and organizations.

Some of our major activities during the past few months are publishing *Living with Deaf-Blindness: Nine Profiles*, a 175-page book, and *Deaf Patients: Special Needs, Special Responses*, a videotape and booklet; co-sponsoring with Johns Hopkins a symposium at the National March of Dimes Birth Defects Conference in Chicago; conducting a conference on the state-of-the-art in interpreter training in Atlanta; training personnel at the Greater Los Angeles Association for the Deaf, the Kellogg project center in Buffalo and Gallaudet's extension center in Kansas City to conduct health care workshops; and conducting leadership training sessions for deaf people in Arizona and Arkansas. (All of the activities described here are those of the National Academy staff located in College Hall; the NCLD, in its trailer and House 8, operates somewhat independently.)

Much of what we do needs the support of other people at the College. For example, Cynthia Shomber from the Infirmary and five undergraduates present workshops on caring for deaf patients to District of Columbia hospital staffs. The program for a November continuing education workshop for nurses (co-sponsored by Catholic University School of Nursing) includes Geri Gustason (Education), McCay Vernon (Powrie Doctor Chair), Jean Mulroony (Psychology and Infirmary) and Regan Quinn (Continuing Education). We also provide assistance to people from Gallaudet who speak or present programs to outside organizations.

In addition to the continuing education course for nurses and the program for court reporters, fall activities we've planned are a presentation at the American Academy of Pediatrics; a reception for physicians in town for the American Association of Medical Colleges meeting, and a continuing education seminar for dental assistants. On the back burners for winter and spring are a workshop for newly deafened adults, a program for judges at the National Judiciary College, a curriculum for training people to conduct leadership programs for deaf people and a book for physicians on identifying deafness, counseling parents and treating deaf children and adults.

And who are we? With the departure of Al Pimentel, we are a directorless group: Connie Knight, professional training coordinator (workshops and seminars with professional schools and professional organizations); Jean Brennan Woods (temporary) and Loraine DiPietro, community development specialists (workshops for community agencies and institutions, leadership training and other programs for disabled people); Carol Yoken, technical service specialist (books, support materials for department activities); "the public policy person" who has not yet been hired; and Terri Baker, Mary Despert, and Pat Hunter, secretaries. *Of what? Of Gallaudet?* Yes. College Hall, second floor, x5480.



# Serendipity

## Library Bits & Pieces

### White House Library Conference

by David de Lorenzo

The first national White House Conference on Library and Information Services will convene Nov. 15, 1979 in Washington, D.C. The Conference was promulgated under law by President Gerald Ford to "develop recommendations for the further improvement of the nation's libraries and information centers and their use by the public." It is expected that the recommendations of the Conference, which has been planned and will be conducted by the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science, will have a direct impact on the formation of a national information policy and will result in specific legislative recommendations.

The White House Conference has been described as a "national town meeting" for citizens to examine their

library and information service needs and to make realistic recommendations for meeting those needs. Almost two-thirds of the participants at the Conference will be lay citizens, the remainder librarians. "We do not want to focus on institutions. We want to focus on the person—the individual who is the consumer of information. And that means everyone," explained Conference director, Marilyn K. Gell.

Major themes for the Conference have been culled from the results of 57 state and territorial pre-White House Conferences. Several aims for the national conference have been summarized as follows:

- To reaffirm the social value of libraries,
- To recognize the financial responsibilities of both government and private citizens,
- To increase literacy and services to the unserved,

- To advocate the development of information technology and policy,
- To promote the development of resources as well as their preservation and conservation,
- To provide intellectual and physical access to information in all formats for everyone,

The Conference, it is hoped, will draft meaningful proposals to resolve these issues. In the end, however, it will be up to Congress to make many of the decisions.

### Interlibrary loan

Interlibrary loan is a service the College Library provides to Gallaudet graduate students, research staff and faculty members on campus. Any item that is not available on campus can be requested through ILL. Materials are borrowed from libraries in the continental United States and Canada. Photocopied articles from periodicals may also be obtained.

Requests should include as much bibliographic information as possible and should be given to Diana Gates, TTY 5575, or sent through the campus mail. Requests normally require two weeks before arrival of the materials.

## Sponsored R&D

### Grant/Contract deadlines

As a regular feature of *On the Green*, the Division of Research will be providing application deadlines for federal programs of potential interest to members of the Gallaudet community. For each selected project opportunity, the application deadline will be followed by the initials of the federal agency and the program title. Each week, a different grant/contract opportunity will be highlighted by providing more descriptive details. More complete information on projects of interest can be obtained from Dr. Glenn S. Pfau, director, Office of Sponsored Research—telephone extension 5030 (voice or TTY).

Deadline	Program
12/03/79	BEH—Handicapped Children's Model Program
01/09/80	NSF—Information Dissemination for Science Education
01/04/80	NSF—Applied Social and Behavioral Sciences
01/10/80	BEH—Handicapped Children's Program: New Demonstrated Projects
01/16/80	HEW—Cooperative Education Program: New Projects
01/21/80	HEW—Womens' Educational Equity Act Program
01/21/80	NIE—Teaching and Learning Research Grants
02/15/80	HEW—Strengthening Research Library Resources: New Projects
02/18/80	BEH—Media Research, Production, Distribution and Training Grant Program
02/29/80	HEW—Basic Skills Improvement: School, Parent Out of School Programs
03/17/80	BEH—Student Research—Second Cycle

### Weekly program highlight

1/21/80	NIE—Teaching & Learning Research Grants
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This program supports research in the areas of teaching, literacy, mathematics learning and measurement. Learning in the school and in non-school settings, throughout the life span, using a diversity of approaches and disciplinary perspectives will be examined. The program also encourages research on the effects of race, ethnic or language background, gender and social class on learning. Approximately \$2.1 million will be available for this program in 1980. Awards range in size from small grants program of \$15,000 or less to larger grants averaging about \$50,000 annually.

### Remember Nov. 19

Mark your calendars for 3-5 p.m. next Monday and come to the MSSD auditorium to watch a one hour videotape showing of the FCC Hearings on the Decoder. Dr. Malcolm Norwood from the Bureau of Education of the Handicapped will be with us to answer your questions about this device. Remember, it will be on the market in early 1980!

## Fall sports wrapup

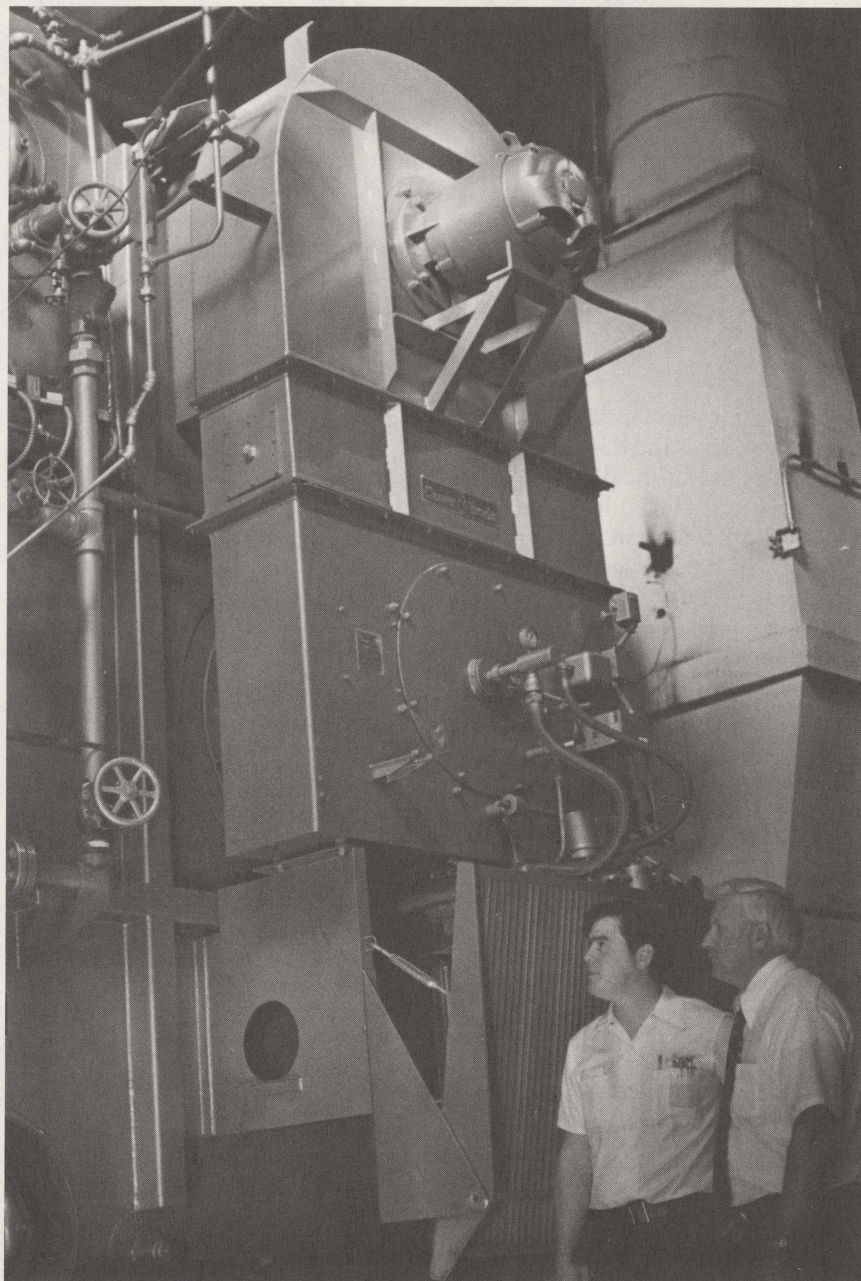
by Bob Weinstock

Led by Ted Helsel, who rushed 29 times for 334 yards and three touchdowns, St. Francis College put the Bisons out of their season-long misery, 45-6, on Nov. 3. The one bright spot for the Bison gridders was freshman tight end Andy Bonheyo's pass receiving. Bonheyo caught seven passes for 95 yards, upping his season totals to 19 receptions for 206 yards. Ironically, Bonheyo was injured on his third reception, but continued to play. The Bisons finished the season 1-7.

Women's field hockey finished its regular season with a 3-11-1 record. Four players—Alison Heisey, Joann Haupt, Sarah Burton and Diane Jevne—were named to the regional all-star first team. Jackie Johnston, Roxanne Fenicle and Rosemary Hennessey made the second team.

The gem of the fall athletic program was women's volleyball. The team amassed a 21-13 record in regular season play, and by being ranked 13th out of 16 teams, qualified for the Eastern Regional tournament Nov. 14-17 at George Washington University.

Soccer finished 6-6-1, and cross country 7-7-1. Harriers Greg Warren and Danny Norling represented Gallaudet at the Southeast and South Regionals of the NCAA Division III cross country championships this past weekend.



Bill DePhillip, assistant utilities supervisor and Tom Lillis, director of the Physical Plant, appear dwarfed by the mammoth new boiler recently installed on campus. When the boiler becomes operational in January, it will put out 50,000 lbs. of steam an hour and burn 467 gallons of fuel oil each hour. This, along with the two existing boilers that produce a combined total of 70,000 lbs. of steam an hour, should be enough to meet existing energy needs on campus and accommodate for new construction.



# A Message from the President

## Board of Trustees develops new bylaw

Prompted by the newly expanded mission of Gallaudet College as set forth in *New Challenges, New Responses* and by the changes in organizational structure on Kendall Green, the Gallaudet College Board of Directors conducted a self-study in 1978-79. Led by Alexander Patterson of General telephone and Electronics, the Board developed new bylaws, a new committee structure and a revitalized commitment to the advancement of Gallaudet College.

Based on these new bylaws, the Board developed and reviewed at their recent October meeting a set of guidelines for their meetings. These guidelines call for the traditional four meetings annually. These meetings, however, will now be regularly preceded on Wednesday evening with a dinner and educational program. Thursday mornings will be devoted to meetings of the new standing committees, followed by the usual business meeting in the afternoon.

The standing committees, as set forth in the new bylaws, are the Committee on Trustees, the Committee on Mission and the Committee on Resources. The Committee on Trustees is charged with continually assessing the structure, function and participation of the Board. They will develop and maintain information on candidates for membership on the Board, as well as ensure that new members receive appropriate orientation to the College.

The Committee on Mission has responsibility for continuous evaluation

of all programs on Kendall Green, as well as for making recommendations for awards, tenure and other personnel matters. The Committee on Mission will have a close relationship with the Gallaudet College Board of Fellows.

Last, but far from least, the Committee on Trustees will accept the enormous task of promoting, developing and overseeing the financial resources of the institution. They will also make recommendations concerning College relations and communications.

Generally all business will be reviewed by the appropriate committee before going to the full Board. It is anticipated that this new procedure will allow each Trustee to become more closely involved in one aspect of the management of the institution while at the same time maintaining his/her overview of the goals and functions.

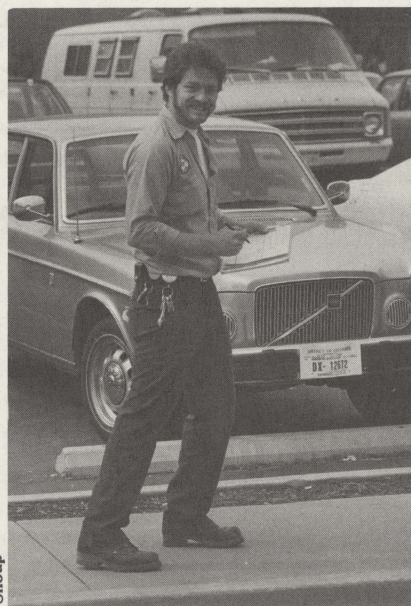
One very important new focus of the Board of Trustees (formerly named Board of Directors) is that of their own more intensive education about Gallaudet College and about deafness. The Trustees in their October meeting expressed an enthusiastic commitment to the College as well as to their own expanded involvement in our professional activities. They recognized that as the College grows and as the need for support from the private sector likewise grows, it becomes increasingly critical that they as Trustees become more deeply involved in development of that support.

Naturally, the effectiveness of the Trustees as facilitators of an increased awareness of the needs of deaf people will depend heavily on our efforts to educate them. In the future many faculty, staff and students of Gallaudet will be called on to assist the Office of the President in our efforts to involve the Trustees.

In addition to the quarterly meetings and Wednesday night dinner programs, the Trustees have committed themselves to a one and one-half day annual retreat. Often, members of the campus community will be called on so the retreats will be of maximum benefit to the Trustees.

Any person with questions concerning the Board of Trustees should feel free to inquire at the Office of the President.

The Personnel Office is in the process of preparing our new telephone directory. Cards asking you to verify information to be included in the directory should be returned by Wednesday, Nov. 14. If you didn't receive a card, contact Irene Pruitt or Marcia Rubin in Personnel.



Maintenance mechanic, Larry Bowman.

## Letters

Dear OTG Editor:

I was glad to see that the article on the field house in the Oct. 29 edition of OTG was attributed to Bill Harmon, since that meant Bob Harmon could disclaim all responsibility for using the word "hopefully" instead of "it is hoped" or some such phrase. Actually I'm nine-tenths joking here—I think the OTG staff does a fine job, and I really don't mind having my article edited and revised, but I would hate to have any of my English-language-purist colleagues think that I would use the word "hopefully" as it is used in the article. I'm sure I mistreat the English language often enough, but not by misusing the word "hopefully"!

Sincerely,  
Bob Harmon

## Classified Ads

**FOR RENT:** Tastefully furnished two-bedroom townhouse for 6 months to 1 year. \$350 per month, all utilities included *except* electricity and phone. Call Greenbelt Homes, Inc: 474-4161, 474-4244, 474-4331.

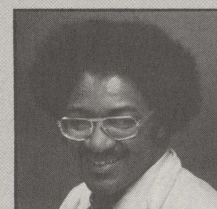
**FOR SALE:** 1970 Chevrolet Impala. Good condition, \$375. Call Dennis Wilbur at 946-2576 (home) after 6 p.m. or x5269.

**JOB NEEDED:** Preferably in Arlington/Washington area for woman who has recently experienced severe hearing loss. Has background in medical field as nursing asst., medical receptionist & secretary, nurse's asst. & patient registrar. Has small child and is in desperate need of job. Resume is available for review with Mimi Evans, English Dept., HMB, Room 193, x5486. Please pass this information on to anyone (on or off campus) who might be interested in reviewing this person's credentials.

**POSITION AVAILABLE:** Houseparent in halfway house for deaf adults, P/T, room and board plus small salary. Prefer ASL skill. Send resume by Nov. 15 to Carole Schauer, Director, Otis House, 1203 Otis St. NE, Washington, D.C. 20017, 779-2786 (TTY/voice).

## Personalities

**Eugene Zimmerman** is the acting medical director for the College. He received his medical training at Howard University, getting his M.D. in 1973, and his internship was done at the Howard University Hospital from 1974-76. He has been in private practice and also served as assistant medical director of the SE Action Neighborhood Board Methadone Clinic. Zimmerman joined the staff at the Student Health Service in 1976 as a staff physician.



Zimmerman

**Toni Rees** is now coordinator of services for international students, working out of the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs in cooperation with the International Center. Rees received a certificate to teach the hearing impaired from the University of Oxford, England, in 1972 and a master's degree in curriculum studies from Southampton University, England, in June, 1977. She entered Gallaudet as a Rotary Fellow in 1977 and is currently studying for a doctoral degree in special education administration. Since coming to Gallaudet she has served as assistant to the director of Demonstration Programs in the College of Continuing Education. Her previous work experience includes teaching in Kakamega, Kenya, Birmingham, England and Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England.



Rees



Fulton

**Kay Fulton** is a new counselor with the Counseling and Placement Center and will help students in developing good mental health and overall adjustment to college life. She received a bachelor's degree from the University of Arizona in 1964 and a master's in counseling the deaf from Gallaudet College in 1976. Prior to coming to Gallaudet, Fulton served at the Maryland School for the Deaf, Columbia, as the assistant principal in charge of the transitional department for multi-handicapped hearing-impaired children. She has also been a school counselor at the Maryland School for the Deaf in Frederick; in the auditory program for hearing-impaired children in the Montgomery County Public Schools; and has taught in several schools for the deaf throughout the country. Her office is located in Kendall Hall, Room 201E.

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## CHAPEL HALL

A loggia or covered walkway takes us from College Hall to Chapel Hall. This thoroughway was the main passage between the two buildings for in those days there was no entrance to Chapel Hall from the Mall. Chapel Hall, constructed in 1871, was the scene of many college functions, The Friday night literary programs and the Saturday night dramatic presentations took place on the small stage on the west side of the high-ceiling Hall. By reversing the chairs, Sunday morning Sunday schools and chapel services were held at the other end. Chapel services were also conducted there every Wednesday morning with talks given by the men tachers. Those were the days when there were no TV programs or captioned films.

Now registered as a national landmark, Chapel Hall is the first stopping point for all visitors coming onto the campus. A presentation center, known as "The Look of Sound", a multi-media exhibition, introduces the visitors to many aspects of deafness and the education of the deaf.

The Men's Refectory was located in what is the Alumni and Public Relations Offices. The Women's Refectory, the small faculty dining room and the Crow Nest upstairs where the Phi Kappa Zeta (then known as the OWLS) held its secret meetings, occupied the area now used by APR studio. In the basement were the kitchen, food storage rooms and a linen room.

The time-hallowed clock in the Tower above Chapel Hall chimed out the hours and it was the scene of the Watch Night party on New Year Eve when the seniors climbed the wooden stairway up the tower and rang the bell as the new year came in.

## SOPHIA FOWLER HALL

Continuing our walking tour, we arrive at what was then the new Fowler Hall, constructed in 1918. (The old Fowler Hall was originally known as the Primary Department Building). The "new" Hall was the home for all the women students. A small swimming pool occupied the area beneath the skylight between the two wings. This pool was long ago covered up and is now used as a storage room. A women's basketball court

# Historical Notes

## A look at the College campus - 1936

by Francis C. Higgins

*continued from last week*

was in the basement to the east of the pool; currently it serves as a center for dance rehearsals under the auspices of the Physical Education Department. The lounge room upstairs held a soft spot in the hearts of the students for there love held sway during Sunday evening visits that lasted no longer than one hour! A glider and a tennis court stood in front of Fowler Hall.

## DAWES HOUSE

Adjoining Fowler Hall and to the east is Dawes House, then the dormitory for the Kendall School boys. This brick building, designed by Olaf Hanson, Class of 1886 and an outstanding deaf architect, was completed in 1895. At present, it is occupied by the Tutorial Center and the Offices of the International Center on Deafness.

## KENDALL HALL

In the rear of Fowler Hall is Kendall Hall. Built in 1885, it provided classroom spaces for all of the Kendall School pupils. Today, the brick building is used as a facility for the COounseling and Placement Department.

On the mall side of College Hall were several brick buildings, all demolished in 1957: the two story Shop Building; the four story Laboratory Science and Classroom Building; the Power House with its tall smoke stack; the Laundry Room adjoining it, the Coach House where the college presidents kept their automobiles; the greenhouse along with the

caretaker's apartment, and the faculty four-car garages bordering the lane up to the college farm and the football field, known as Hotchkiss Field. In the spring, the field was nicknamed "Garlic Field", for such was the taste of milk from the cows kept on the college farm! A row of osage orange trees separated the athletic field from the lane and students were compelled to duck whenever an "orange" came sailing their way.

## HOUSES NO. 7 and 8

On the west roadway that goes past Ole Jim, we come to Houses No. 7 and 8. This white stuccoed duplex served as the residences for Prof. Irving Fusfeld and Prof. Harley Drake and their respective families. Other members of the faculty also lived there including Prof. Donald Padden, Prof. Robert Panara and Prof. Francis Higgins. Today, the Houses are occupied by various programs including the National Law Center and the Deaf and the offices of Budget Development.

## COLLEGE FARM

Further up the roadway we come to the area that was the site of the college farm. The large house that was the home of the farm manager and later the Preparatory Department, the cow barn, the big hay barn that at one time served as the place for the wrestlers to practice and the pig pens were all razed in 1964 to make way for two large dormitories, Krug Hall for men students and Cogswell Hall for women students, both constructed in 1965. The small frame house occupied by the farm help and set back in the woods beyond the football field was likewise torn down. On land between the Power House and the Farm House, grain crops were raised; a small forest stood in the area between the barns and Brentwood Road. All the trees were cut down to make way for the construction of MSSD.

This ends our tour of the college campus as it was in 1936. Many changes have taken place, both in the physical aspect and in the academic programs. More changes are expected in both areas as the college continues to march on to greater heights in its effort to offer services to the deaf of America and of the world.

## Jobs Available

For additional information, contact the Personnel Office.  
**SECRETARIAL POSITIONS:** Contact Personnel for listing.  
**SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST:** Research  
**OFFICE COORDINATOR:** Alumni/Public Relations  
**LRC ASSISTANT:** KDES/Instruction  
**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR:** Counseling & Placement  
**PROGRAM COORDINATOR:** Law Center  
**RESIDENT ADVISOR:** Student Life  
**CLERK:** Accounting  
**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLERK:** Accounting  
**CAREER COUNSELOR:** Counseling & Placement  
**COMPUTER PROGRAMMER II:** Demographic Studies  
**ASSISTANT TRAINING SPECIALIST:** Personnel  
**FACILITIES DESIGN ARCHITECT:** PP-Administration  
**FACILITIES DESIGN MANAGER:** PP-Administration  
**CLASSROOM AIDE:** MSSD/English  
**CAPTIONER II:** Television Dept.  
**NIGHT CUSTODIAN:** PP-Custodial Services  
**DAY CUSTODIAN:** PP-Custodial Services  
**FIRST CLASS ENGINEER:** PP-Central Utilities  
**STAFF PSYCHOLOGIST:** Counseling & Placement  
**ENERGY CONSERVATION COORDINATOR:** PP-Utilities Management  
**WORD PROCESSING SPECIALIST:** MS-SD/Adm. Support Services  
**ASSISTANT/CIRCULATION:** Library  
**DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL ACADEMY:** Div. of Public Services, National Academy  
**CAMPUS PLANNING COORDINATOR:** Planning Office  
**PLANNING & EVALUATION ANALYST:** Planning Office  
**CAMPUS RESOURCE ANALYST:** Planning Office  
**DIRECTOR OF TELEVISION:** G.C. Television  
**INTERPRETER/ASSISTANT:** Demonstration Programs

RESOURCE LIAISON-DIAGNOSTIC  
**CLASSROOM:** KDES  
**TEACHER AIDE:** KDES  
**FACULTY POSITIONS (4):** Dept. of Sgn Communication  
**FACULTY POSITION:** Dept. of Counseling

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## Calendar

### NOVEMBER 12 - 24, 1979

**12 - DELTA EPSILON PLEDGE PROJECT** 8:00 p.m., Cogswell Basement

**13 - DISTRICT 65 ELECTIONS,** 12:00 noon - 4:00 p.m., Orange Room, Dining Hall.

**14 - FOOD SALE,** Class of '80, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m., Krug Hall

**15 - INTERPRETED PERFORMANCE, "CUSTER"** Kennedy Center Terrace Theatre, 7:30 p.m. - Tickets available from SUB Box Office, x5182

**- ORCHESTRA CONCERT,** George Washington University, Lisner Auditorium, 21st & H Sts. NW, 8:00 p.m., admission is free.

**18 - 20 FRIED DOUGH SALE,** Class of '83, 6:00 p.m.

### 22 & 23 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS

Why is our Calendar so short this week? Because we depend on the information you send us. If you know of any upcoming events, both on or off campus, that you think would be of interest to the campus community, please let us know. Items submitted for the Calendar should be sent to Janet Bailey, Alumni and Public Relations Office, Chapel Hall.

## Energy Tips

by Jim Hull

When the heat is on...

1. Lower your thermostat to 65 during the day and 55° at night.
2. Keep windows near your thermostat tightly closed; otherwise it will keep your furnace working after the rest of the room has reached a comfortable temperature.
3. Have your furnace serviced at least once a year. This simple precaution could save you 10% in fuel consumption.
4. Clean the filter in your forced air system each month.
5. If you have oil heat, have your serviceman check to see if the firing rate is correct. Chances are it isn't. A recent survey found that 97% of the furnaces checked were over-fired.
6. Don't let cold air seep into your home through the attic access door. Make sure it is weather-stripped and insulated.
7. If you have hot water heat, dust or vacuum radiator surfaces frequently. Dust and grime impede the flow of heat. And if the radiators need painting, use a flat paint, preferably black. It radiates heat better than glossy paint.